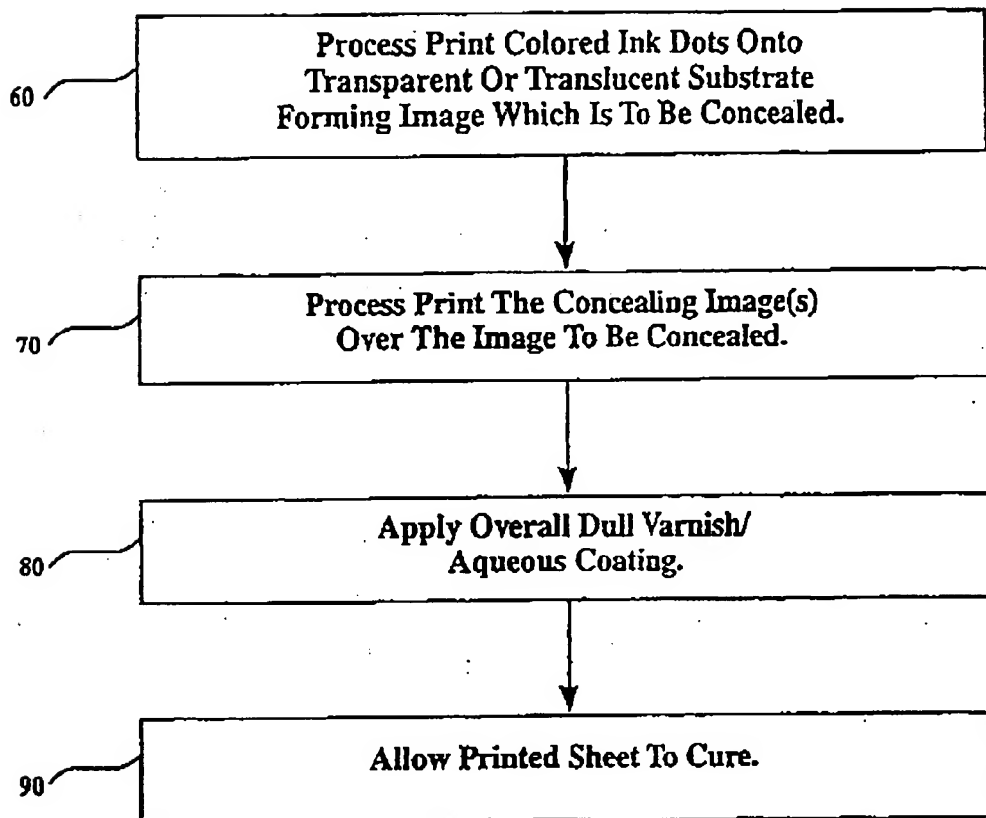


**Exhibit 7****U.S. Patent****Oct. 2, 2001****Sheet 5 of 5****US 6,296,900 B1****FIG 4**